ing away the obstruction.

It Ties Up Street Car Traffic-Was Accom

panied by Thunder and Lightning.

ROCHESTER, Feb. 29 .- Seven inches of

snow fell in a very few hours this afternoon

and early this evening, causing a complete

suspension of street car traffic to-night.

It was the most severe storm of the winter

while it lasted. It came almost without

warning. A peculiar feature of it was that it was accompanied by heavy thunder and

lightning.
The storm disappeared to-night almost

as quickly as it had come, and was followed by a torrent of rain. A high wind caused the snow to drift badly and all of the steam

railroads entering Rochester are having hard work keeping their lines open. Re-ports from the adjoining towns show that the roads are all blocked by immense banks

POLICE RAID TWO DIVES.

Capt. Tighe and His Men Get Thirty-five

Police Captain Tighe, who was only

tion, raided two dives last night.

cently transferred to the Mercer street sta-

At the Lenox Hotel, Sixth avenue and Third street, the police captured fifteen men and women, black and white. At the Knickerbocker, 125 Macdougal street, twenty more were captured.

GREATEST OF BIRTHDAYS.

All the Eight-Year-Old Leap Year Boys and

Girls Had High Jinks.

failed to have some kind of a celebration

yesterday. After an eight years wait

it was an opportunity not to let slip. The

eight-year-olds by lapse of time would

Amy Frances Dargin, the daughter of

Leon Darg in, of 430 West 118th street,

surrounded by nearly a score of other

children, all of them cousins, celebrated her first birthday anniversary. Amy was born on Saturday, Feb. 29, 1896, and as yesterday was the first Feb. 29 in eight years the day in her house was given over to the young folks, who seemed duly aware of the importance of the occasion and were correspondingly happy. Fight candles ar-

the importance of the occasion and were correspondingly happy. Fight candles ar-ranged on a birthday cake, a vase with eight American Beauty reses, and souvenirs at each plate, formed the decorations of the table, at which the youngsters feasted to

Vice-President Herrman Gets a Birthday.

Paul Herrman, vice-president of the

Schwasbischer Saengerbund in Brooklyn.

born on Feb. 29, 1860, having had but few

chances to celebrate the anniversary of

birthday to turn up he was ready for a big

time. A celebration was hastily arranged by the officers of the Saengerbund and a sere-nade was given to Mr. Herrman. Hundreds

MOTOR BOAT CONTROL.

National Automobile Association Likely

to Assume Jurisdiction.

There is a fair prospect of conflict over the

rules, it is likely that the American Auto-

mobile Association will step in and assume

control.

There is a strong sentiment in the Auto-

mobile Club of America in favor of such

move and the club has itself set a precedent

for the national body of which it is a member,

by appointing a motor boat committee, con-sisting of W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., Peter Cooper

A. R. Pardington, chairman of the racing board of the A. A. A. is strongly in favor

of the national organization assuming con

trol of motor boat contests and has written

a letter to the executive committee of the

A. A. A., recommending the appointment of a special committee for the purpose. Yes-

terday Mr. Pardington threw out a suggestion

that the control of the sport should be begun

ciation point to the fact that the Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland has done

so in the United Kingdom and is the promoter

They also urge the fact that automobile

makers generally are engaging in the manu-

makers generally are engaging in the manufacture of auto boats, and argue that a national organization which has been and is in control of automobile racing is better fitted for the undertaking than a newly formed body composed mostly of boat designers.

The executive committee of the American Automobile Association meets to-day and President Whipple will name the new chairman of the racing committee. It is expected that the question of boat racing will come up at the same time.

The Weather.

There was a storm central over Missouri yester

day moving northeastward with increasing energy; the winds becoming brisk to high in the central

States and Lake regions. Snow was falling in eastern Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan, rain and snow in Pennsylvania and New York, and rain in Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. There

was a second storm forming north of Montana. Fair weather prevailed in the south Atlantic, Gulf and Rocky Mountain States. The pressure was

high in the south Atlantic States, north of the Lake regions and on the Pacific Coast States.

The temperature was higher except in the north-

ern part of the Lake regions and in the Southwest. No zero weather was reported, and it was generally above the freezing point in the atternoon. In this city the day was cloudy, with a sprinkling

of rain and snow; wind fresh northeasterly; average

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table:

of the international cup race for motor boats

Hewitt and John Jacob Astor.

congratulatory messages were received

that after waiting eight years for a

hearts' content

not have let it go by for anything.

Very few of the leap year birthday folks

BILLS TO INCREASE SALARIES

ONE GIVES POLICE INSPECTORS \$5,000; GAPTAINS \$3,500.

Proposed 20 Per Cent. Increase to State Hospital Men-Bill Increasing St. Louis Fair Appropriation to \$375,000-\$200,000 for Agricultural College.

ALBANY, Feb. 29 .- Senator Lewis to-night introduced a bill increasing by about 20 per cent. the salaries of employees in the State hospitals other than nurses and attendants. The salaries of the attendants were increased last year.

A bill introduced by Senator Fitzgerald provides that the owner of a piece of real estate who has received from a title guaranty corporation a certificate insuring the title thereto, may pass such certificate if the property is again transferred so as to render it unnecessary to have another search made.

Senator Stevens put in a bill appropriating an additional \$75,000, making \$375,000 in all, for this State's exhibit at the St. Louis

An appropriation of \$200,000 is made for a State College of Agriculture at Cobleskill Schoharie county, by a bill introduced by Senator Warnock

A bill of Senator Elsberg's authorizes the New York City Board of Estimate and Apportionment to permit the Federal Government to connect the new custom house with the appraisers warehouse with a pneumatic tube service.

The inspectors and captains of the New York city Police Department want their pay increased. They contend that if they can get a salary in keeping with the responsibilities of their positions, inspectors and captains will not be so susceptible to graft and that more competent men can be secured. Assemblyman Finch tonight introduced a bill, which has the approval of former Police Commissioner Greene, Dr. C. H. Parkhurst and District Attorney Jerome. The inspectors want \$5,000 a year salary and the captains \$3,500. When retired on pension they are to receive \$2,500, and \$1,800 respectively.

Several bills have been introduced in both houses of the Legislature this year further simplifying the laws applicable to stock corporations. Two additional white, the corporations, I wo additional bills have been prepared by Frank White, the corporation specialist. One proposes to do away with the necessity of a stockholders' meeting when the unanimous consent of the stockholders to the change is obtainable, and to permit an increase or reduction of directors, to take effect immediately upon the fling of the

change is obtainable, and to permit an increase or reduction of directors, to take effect immediately upon the filing of the written consent signed by all the stockholders or their proxies.

It is provided that a change of name may be effected by a two-thirds vote of the stockholders of the corporation at a meeting convened upon a notice of two weeks. The bill safeguards the names of existing corporations from being appropriated and requires the consents of the Banking and Insurance departments in the case of moneyed corporations.

Senator Grady introduced a bill amending section 182 of the tax law by striking out the words "street railroad" in that portion of the section which relates to the leasing of a street railroad to another railroad corporation. When the tax law was passed, street railroad companies had been leased to other street railroad corporations.

passed, street railroad companies had been leased to other street railroad corporations, and to prevent double taxation the law provided for a tax on the lessee company, covering not only the properties owned by it, but also any railroad held by it

This tax is at the rate of 3 per cent. upon the amount of all diviends in excess of 4 per cent. per annum. Unless Senator per cent. per annum. Unless Senator Grady's bill is passed the law will impose double taxation in case of a lease to an underground or elevated railroad corpora-

tion.
The New York City Republican Assemblymen were not in accord to-night and the Assembly gave an idea of how it regards home rule. Assemblyman Prentice (Rep., N. Y.), made a vigorous protest against Assemblyman Adams's bill, providing that probationary officers shall rank as police sergeants and receive the pay of sergeants

in New York city.

This is one of Abe Gruber's bills, and he came to Albany to advocate its passage.

To-night it was on the Assembly second reading calendar. Mr. Prentice was joined by Assemblymen Perham and Wallace, also New York city Republicans, in opposing the bill as being at direct variance with the cityll service laws and an imposition on the civil service laws and an imposition on the city. Mr. Prentice offered an amend-

The up-State members of the Assembly sided with Mr. Adam and despite the fact that all of the New York city Republicans voted for the amendment, with the ex-ception of Mr. Adams and Mr. Finch, who

ception of Mr. Adams and Mr. Finch, who tried to dodge being recorded on the proposition, it was defeated. The bill was the advanced to a third reading.

Later on Mr. Adams tried to defeat the passage of Mr. Prentice's bill providing that a berough president in New York city. cannot appoint a non resident of the berough to an office in that borough. He was unsuccessful and the bill was passed.

Assemblyman Chanler (Dem., Dutchess)
introduced a resolution in the Assembly
providing for the appointment of a legisative committee to investigate the question of good roads. The resolution provides that there shall be three systems of rides that there shall be three systems of good roads, State, county and town. The state is to defray the entire expense of its war roads, which are to connect the dif-ierent county seats, and to pay one-quarter ferent county seats, and to pay one-quarter of the cost of other roads. The resolution also directs that the State excise moneys shall be used for paying the State's share of

shall be used for paying the State's share of good roads' improvement. The resolution was objected to by Majority Leader Rogers and under the rules it went over.

The Assembly passed Senator Elsberg's fill authorizing New York city to spend in 250,000 for an additional building to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, not more than \$500,000 to be available in one year.

The Assembly also passed Assemblyman Lewis's bill charging 1 per cent. on all business done by foreign life insurance companies in this State. The bill is aimed at the life insurance companies of Canada and is intended to oblige the Canadian 30vernment to decrease the tax on New Covernment to decrease the tax on New York State companies doing business in

Philbin and Lauterbach to Be Regents ALBANY, Feb. 29.-The Republican memers of the Legislature will caucus to norrow night and name Eugene Philbin, briner District Attorney, and Edward auterbach of New York city as Regents of he University in place of the late Carroll E. Smita of Syracuse and Bishop Hendricks of Rochester, who has gone to the Philippines. These two new Regents will be named to the reorganized Board of Regents.

ERS. H. G. ALLIS KILLS HERSELF. the Wife of a Banker Who Was Sent to Jail

TITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 29.-Mrs. Horace 1. Allis, formerly a society leader in this lity, committed suicide to-day at the county hospital by hanging herself with trips of bedclothes. Her husband at one im was president of the National Bank f this city and was sentenced to five years a the penitentiary for wrecking that institution. The disgrace attending her methand's downfall sent Mrs. Allis into

Alls was pardoned after serving three cars. On his release she pleaded with in to return to her and live down the distract, but he refused. He was the financier of the Little Rock Street Railway Company perous other concerns.

oklyn Man a Suicide in San Francisco John Thompson, who was formerly member of the manufacturing firm of hompson & Co., 124 Atlantic avenue, brocklyn, committed suicide in San Fran-deco on Saturday by taking a dose of car-colle acid. Continual ill health is assigned by his friends as the cause of his act.

LITHOGRAPHERS VOTE TO STRIKE BOND HAS NOT RESIGNED Also Against the Bosses' Arbitration Plan and for Higher Wages

The New York Lithograp hic Artists and Designers' League has followed the example of the Lithographers' Union, consisting of the lithographic printers, in rejecting the ultimatum of the Employing Lithographers' Association. The employers called on the workers to accept an arbitration agreement by March 15 or face a lockout of union men. The open shop will follow the rejection of the plan.

The league rejected arbitration at a meeting in Odd Fellows' Hall in St. Mark's place by a vote of 174 to 14. By a vote of 197 to 3 they decided to strike before March 15 if demands for higher wages are not granted, and by an overwhelming vote they decided in favor of a central trades council of all lithographic workers.

The Lithographers' Union has a membership of 2,000 and is also in favor of anticipating the lockout by a general strike. A mass meeting of all lithographers, including artists, designers and printers, will be held in Cooper Union on March 10 to state the case of the employees to the public.

The national association of employers, known as the Lithographers' Association East, West and Pacific, issued its ultimatum to the local unions of lithographers all over the country. Some of them have accepted the arbitration plan and others have yet to take action. The matter involves 10,000 lithographers, lithographic artists, stone polishers, engravers and

COAL MINE CONFERENCES. Miners and Operators Again in Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 29.-The adjourned convention of United Mine Workers, representing the bituminous districts of Indiana, Illinois, Ohio and western Pennsylvania, reassembled here to-day and at the same time the operators of the same regions met in conference. President Mitchell addressed the miners at the opening session, saying that he had called all the delegates back again, so that they might have a voice in shaping the policy of the organization should a failure follow

might have a voice in shaping the pointy of the organization should a failure follow the further attempts to agree upon a scale for the coming year.

The operators construed this into a threat, and later when they met in conference Mitchell's speech was warmly discussed. Both sides are standing by their demands, the miners asking that the present scale be signed and the operators insisting that a reduction of 10 cents a ton be made in the scale. The demand for a reduction comes from Pennsylvania.

Operators say that they signed the scale one year ago with a promise from Mitchell that the non-union miners in Pennsylvania and West Virginia would be organized and that they would not have to compete with coal mined at lower prices. They also say that he has failed utterly to redeem his promise, and they will not sign the scale. The Ohio operators are standing with those of Pennsylvania.

of Pennsylvania.

The Indiana and Illinois mine owners

would be willing to compromise the differences if the miners would meet them half way, but there is little probability of this, and the outlook for an agreement is worse to-night than at any time since the miners met in convention last month.

UNION FUGITIVE IN MEXICO. Housesmiths Fear That Treasurer Dawson Is Safe-Bonding Co. to Be Sued.

The executive committee of the New York Housesmiths' Union held an informal meeting last evening at the Manhattan Lyceum in East Fourth street, and looked over the books of its missing treasurer. Walter A. Dawson. A cursory inspection, it was stated, showed that the books had

the was stated, showed that the books had been posted and appeared to be regular. It will take several days to examine the vouchers and other documents.

According to Daniel McKinnon, president of the union, there were rumors that Dawson had gone to Mexico. How Dawson had obtained possession of his bond was not cleared up.

not cleared up.

McKinnon said that suit will be brought

States Fidelity and Guaranty Company for \$5,000, the amount of the bond, on the ground that Dawson had no authority to have it cancelled.

NAB TWO STRENUOUS PICKETS. Police Right After the Striking Closkmakers Who Left Blanner Bros.

The striking tailors who have picketed the Seventeenth and Eighteenth street entrances of the building where Blauner Bros. & Co., cloakmakers, have their shops at 22 West Eighteenth street, stirred up another row yesterday morning. Two more of them were arrested

of them were arrested.

When some of the tailors who are not striking went to work they were confronted by the pickets. One of them, Joe Goldstein, ran in and told his employer that one of the men had threatened to cut him with a large knife. He later picked out Barnet Fraust of 168 Second street as the man, and Magis-trate Poole put him under bonds to keep the Policeman Muller arrested Morris Kaplan,

of 137 Monroe street, another picket, for participation in a scuffle. Kaplan was discharged in court.

WANT FERRYBOATS BUILT HERE. Marine Machinists Willing for That to Make Friends With Non-Strikers.

The International Association of Machinists, which has been at loggerheads for some time with the Marine Trades Council because the latter would not order the other rades out in sympathy with the marine machinists in their last strike, will try to make peace with the council this week. This is in order that the machinists and the council, which represents the shipbuilding unions, may make a united request to the city authorities to discriminate in favor. city authorities to discriminate in favor off contractors in the metropolitan district in acting on the bids for the five new ferryboats which are to be built for the Staten Island ferry. The estimated cost of the five boats is nearly \$2,000,000.

ROBBER KILLS POSTAL CLERK. Negro Enters a Car Near Meridian, Miss.

-Caught Through Bloodhounds. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 29.-In an attempt by a gang of negro desperadoes to rob a postal car on train 2 on the Queen and Crescent Limited, which left Meridian northbound at 1:30 o'clock this morning, J. T. Stockton, a postal clerk, was shot and killed instantly, and Postal Clerk A. J. Bass was shot and wounded

in the arm.

The shooting was done by Jim Paris,
The shooting was done by Jim Paris, a negro, who boarded the train as it was pulling out of Meridian and entered the postal car when it was two miles out, opening fire on the clerks without warning. After the shooting Paris seized a package of registered letters and sprang from the train. In doing so he fell and had one leg crushed, but managed to drag himself for three miles, where he was found by aid of bloodhounds. The letters were recovered. Stockton lived at Meridian and Bass in Birmingham. The negro is in jail in Maridian in Meridian.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 29.—Gov. Vardaman of Mississippi has ordered the Newton Rifles of Newton county to join the Meridian militia at Meridian to prevent the lynching there of J. P. Paris, the negro train robber, who last night killed one and wounded another mail clerk, and who is now confined in the Meridian jail.

When the Staten Island ferryboat Robert When the Staten Island Terryboat Robert
Garrett arrived at St. George after her
9:40 trip last night, Mary Marks, the matron
on duty, found a three weeks old female
child in a compartment of the women's
cabin. The child was clad in pink and
white fiannel slips. It was sent to the
S. R. Smith Informary.

ODELL WANTS HIM TO WAIT UN-TIL LEGISLATURE ADJOURNS.

Then He Can Appoint Bond's Successor as State Engineer and Gain Full Control of the Barge Canal Work and Expenditure-H. A. Van Alstine His Choice

ALBANY, Feb. 29 .- State Engineer and Surveyor Edward A. Bond, although appointed a member of Gov. Odell's advisory commission for the construction of the \$101,000,000 barge canal nearly two weeks ago, has not yet tendered his resignation as State Engineer. Mr. Bond had been out of town until last Friday, and of course was unable to tender his resignation while the Governor was in New York fixing things for his boss-ship of the Republican organization. He wants to confer with the Governor before he resigns his \$5,000 a year position for one that is to pay him \$8,000, as the Governor may not want him to resign until after the Legislature adjourns. It is taken as an assured fact that the Governor desires to appoint Henry A. Van Alstine of North Chatham, Columbia county, to succeed Mr. Bond. If he does that, then his control of the barge canal work will be com-

plete.

Mr. Van Alstine is a young man who has had experience is dealing with contractors on canal improvement work. He served the Furnaceville Iron Company, a canal contracting corporation, of which a canal contracting corporation, of which Edward H. Harriman, Gov. Odell's personal friend, has the controlling interest, in a valuable capacity, and he may be able to make himself useful again to corporations in which Gov. Odell's friends are interested. For this reason the Governor is anxious to have him made the successor

But if Mr. Bond resigns while the Legis-But if Mr. Bond resigns while the Legislature is in session, some members of the Legislature may look askance upon Mr. Van Alstine's connection with the Furnaceville Iron Company and refuse to vote for his election as State Engineer.

If Mr. Bond resigns after the Legislature adjourns then the Governor may make the appointment. So, in view of the circumstances, Mr. Bond is evidently very much up a tree as to what course he is to pursue.

up a tree as to what course he is to pursue. Gov. Odell will undoubtedly enlighten him as to his wishes, and Mr. Bond will, no doubt, be bound by them, as the Governor

doubt, be bound by them, as the Governor is now the boss.

There is no hurry for Mr. Bond to resign, for the estimates for the barge canal work will not be ready before the last of May or the first of June.

Major Symonds, who was named as one of the Advisory Canal Commission, has found that he can be spared from superintending the decorations of the White House for social functions, and will serve on the Commission.

BUILDING AND LOAN CONCERNS. Supt. Kilburn Reports That in Some Locali-

ALBANY, Feb. 29.-Superintendent of State Banking Frederick D. Kilburn, in his annual report to the Legislature on building and loan associations, declares that as a result of the scandals attending the failure of dishonestly conducted associations and the disappointments connected with the voluntary but necessary liquidation of mismanaged companies, the associations in some localities are now in as ill repute as they were formerly popular, and in two cities of the State the majority of existing associations have been in practical liquidation for some time. As to the conditions waich have led to that result the report

"Erroneous opinions were formed as to the earning power of such corporations, partially as a result of ignorance of the actual working of the system and partially as a result of the wilful misrepresentations of promoters and soliciting agents.

The report says that a comparison with ast year shows that the reported assets of the national associations have decreased nearly \$10,000,000, and the reported assets of the local associations have decreased reported assets of the national associations. the report says, is due to the elimination of the New York Building Loan Banking Company, which last year reported assets aggregating \$8,861,066, and to the continued liquidation of a number of moribund institutions of this class.

The local associations of the Borough of Manhattan have made a creditable record. The total reported assets of all the existing associations of the borough on Dec. 31 1902, amounted to \$15,418,534, and the associations paid during the year withdrawals and cash dividends amounting to \$3,022,455 and inatured stock to the amount of \$643,294, total of \$3,665,749 repaid to shareholders

uring the year.
The total reported assets of all the asso-\$43,699,806, and the total operating expenses for the year as reported amounted to \$602,-976, or 1.38 per cent. of the assets. The 976, or 1.38 per cent. of the assets. The accumulated capital, consisting of the dues and dividends credited to members, including the amount due the holders of matured stock, amounted to \$36,776,570. The operating expenses were, therefor 1.64 per cent. of the accumulated capital

THE JUSTICE HOOKER CHARGES. Grievance Committe of State Bar Association Takes Up His Case To-day.

ALBANY, Feb. 29 .- The case of Supreme Court Justice Warren B. Hooker, who is charged by the Jamestown Bar Association with complicity in the post office scandals at Dunkirk and Fredonia, his home towns in Chautauqua county, the charges being style power boats by the Automobile Assobased on the disclosures in the recent re port of Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristow, will be taken up for consideration by the grievance committee of the State Bar Association at a meeting in this city to-morrow.

The spectacle of a Supreme Court Justice being called before a tribunal of his peers to defend his reputation from scandal and to free the ermine from dishonor is someto free the ermine from dishonor is something that has not happened before in this
State for a great many years. It is the expectation that the friends of the accused
Judge will strain every nerve to prevent
the publication of any of the evidence
which may be detrimental to Justice Hooker.
The proceedings of the grievance committee are secret. If the committee finds the
charges sustained and Justice Hooker is
recommended for dismissal from membership in the association, the next step would
doubtless be the institution of impeachment proceedings against the Judge in the
Legislature, and in such a contingency not
even the friendship of his chum of the
"Tapeworm Club," Gov. Odell, new State
boss of the Republican organization, would oss of the Republican organization, would

be sufficiently powerful to save him.

Secretary Wadhams of the State Bar
Association said to-day that the grievance committee would meet to-morrow after-noon at 2 o'clock, in the Appellate Court room at the City Hall, in this city. He said room at the City Hall, in this city. He said he supposed that the committee would fol-low the usual procedure in such cases. A representative of the Jamestown Bar Asso-ciation is expected to attend the meeting. The committee will notify Justice Hooker formally and he will have opportunity to put in his answer.

formally and he will have opportunity to put in his answer.

All of the members of the grievance committee have signified their intention of being present at the meeting to-morrow, with the exception of Seymour Van Santvoord of Troy, who is in Europe; Clinton B. Gibbs of Buñalo, who is in Buñalo, and Frederick E. Crane of Brooklyn, who is busy in court there.

Commissioner Hannibal Has Had Eleven Hirthdays.

Fire Commissioner August Hannibal of Hoboken, who was born on Feb. 29, 1856, celebrated his eleventh birthday annivertion: fair to-morrow; brisk to high east to south winds, shifting to southwest and west by to-night.

DEFIANT MOROS WIPED OUT. SNOWBOUND AGAIN.

Heavy Spowfall and Blizzard in Northers New York Tie Up the Railro GEN. WOOD REPORTS LIVELY UTICA, Feb. 29 .- The railroads pene-FIGHT WITH JOLO ISLANDERS, trating northern New York are again experiencing great interruption to traffic ven Americans Wounded-Nearly All but on account of the heavy snowfall of yester-day and the fierce blizzard which blew out of the West late this afternoon. A number

Hassan, Leader of Moros, Captured or Killed-His Capture Expected passenger trains have been abandoned t the railroad officials are making strenu--Natives Twice Declined to Surrender ous efforts to run others, coupling two and Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. three locomotives to each train and trust-ing to luck for them to reach their desti-MANILA. Feb. 29.-Gen. Wood report

hat Major Scott's cavalry expedition, A passenger train on the Black River diassisted by troops of the friendly Sultan A passenger train on the Black River division of the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Railroad, due here last night, arrived at noon to-day. Three trainloads of milk from northern New York, destined for New York city and due in Utica at noon yesterday, passed through here late to-day. A snowplough in use near Alder Creek last night became derailed, and the wrecking crew burned it as the quickest way of clearing away the obstruction. engaged the recalcitrant Datto, Pangliman Hassan, the last of the hostile leaders, near Siet Lake, in Jolo, capturing the stronghold of his defiant kinsman, Laksamana Lieut. West and seven men were wounded At last reports Hassan was surrounded. WASHINGTON, Feb. 29 .- News of another

fight between American troops of Gen. After yesterday's terrific storm the rail-road authorities had hoped to restore nor-mal traffic conditions on the Rome, Water-Wood's command and the Moros of Sulu was received at the War Department today in a cablegram from Gen. Wade, at Manila. The despatch says:

town and Ogdensburg and the Mohawk and Malone roads by to-night, but the arrival of another bizzard late to-day has upset their plans. The Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg system has been completely tied up by snow eleven times during the winter on unprecedented record "Major-Gen. Leonard Wood reports an engagement in Jolo on Feb. 14, Major Hugh L. Scott with the Third Squadron, Fourteenth Cavalry, and a single gun of Eighduring the winter, an unprecedented record SNOWSTORM IN ROCHESTER.

teenth Battery of field artillery against the remnant of Hassan's Moros, who have constantly been giving trouble since the ction last November. "Major Hugh L. Scott attacked their cotta and took it after a lively fight. During the fight firing was twice stopped to

they declined. "All are dead or captured but Hassan who is located. Friendly Dattos assisted the troops. Cable not working account for delay in getting news.

"Loss: Wounded-Second Lieut, Eugene

give the Moros chance to surrender, but

R. West, thigh, serious; Hurlburt, Troop I, Fourteenth Cavalry, right side; Hinderer, Troop I, Fourteenth Cavalry, shoulder; White, Eighteenth Battery, field artillery, right leg, knee; Callaway, Troop M, Foureenth Cavalry, right arm: Cox, Eighteenth Battery, field artillery, shoulder: Hanifan Troop K, Fourteenth Cavalry, thigh, slight. Second Lieut. Eugene R. West belongs to the Eighteenth Field Battery of Artillery now stationed in the Philippines. He was born on Dec. 4. 1876 at Bellevieu. Belford county Va., and is a son of Thomas S. West o that place. He was appointed a cadet in the Military Academy in June, 1897,

LORD FRANCIS HOPE WEDS. Former Husband of May Yohe Marries an Australian Girl.

was graduated in February, 1901, and was

assigned to the Artillery Corps.

Special Cable Despaich to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 29 .- Lord Francis Hope whose first wife was May Yohe, the actress now divorced from him, married Miss Olive Thompson, the daughter of a banker of Melbourne, last Saturday.

May Yohe, originally an American chorus girl, appeared with some success on the English burlesque stage. She retired when she married Lord Francis Hope, brother of the Duke of Newcastle. In a few years Lord Francis had spent a large share of his inheritance. The couple came to this his inheritance. The couple came to this city in 1901, and May Yohe returned to the stage. Here she met Capt. Putnam Bradlee Strong, son of the late Mayor Strong. They eloped and went to Japan. Lord Francis eloped and went to Japan. Lord Francis then secured a divorce. In 1902 Lord Fran-cis was injured while on a hunting trip, and his foot was amputated.

VERNON-HARCOURT TO RETIRE Sir William, at 77 and in Poor Health, Will Leave House of Commons.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 29 .- Sir William Vernon Harcourt announces that he will not seek reelection to the House of Commons, he has for a long time been a leading figure among the Liberals. He gives his age and about \$500,000. The great decrease in the his birth, announced to his friends yester- ill health as the reasons for his determina-

Art Treasures Spotled in the Oscar II

Special Cable Despatch to THE BUN.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 29 .- The damage done

jurisdiction of motor boat racing since the sport has begun to loom large on the horizon. Although the Power Boat Association has Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. been organized and has formulated a set of HAVANA, Feb. 29 .- Incendiaries set fire to the Soledad sugar estate, near Cienfuegos

which belongs to Mr. Atkins, an American The fire was extinguished by the employees Angle-Spanish Arbitration Treaty Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 29 .- A treaty of arbitra-

tion between Great Britain and Spain was signed last Saturday. Strike of Asphalt Workers Threatened. A strike of 1,400 asphalt workers employed throughout the city by the Barbour Asphalt Company on account of alleged discrimination against union men is threatened. With a view to head it off, a conference was held yesterday at 134 East Thirty-fourth street between representatives of the Pavers and Rammers' Union and the company. Another will be held to-day. by the A. A. A. promoting a big race on the Hudson from New York to Albany. Those who favor the control of the new

RACETRACK FOR NEWPORT. Prominent Men Enlisted to Provide Course

for Horses and Automobiles. NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 29.-A number New Yorkers who are prominent in horse and automobile racing were to-night added to the committee of business men appointed to boom Newport as a summer resort, and with their appointment there is every reason to that Newport will have one of the best racetracks in the country, where not only horse racing can be held but automobile events as well.

Those added to the committee at the suggestion of H. F. Eldri dge were John Jacob Astor, Center Hitchcock, Clarence Dolan, Clar-ence H. Mackay, Joseph Widener, Col. Edward Morrell, F. M. Ware, Harry Payne Whitney, Herman B. Duryea, E. T. Gerry, E. L. Winthrop, A. G. Vanderbilt, R. C. Vander-E. L. Winthrop, A. G. Vanderbilt, R. C. Vanderbilt, F. K. Sturgis and W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr. There is no suitable place at Newport to hold such races and there has long been a demand for a racecourse. The matter was taken up by this committee a few days ago and met with such favor and support that the committee feels that it will be brought about and Newport may eventually become as famous a racing centre as is Saratoga. The committee has a site in view, and it is thought that \$150,000 will be sufficient to perfect the plans.

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10,000 Yds. Black Silk Crepe de Chine. \$1.78 per yard. Double width (44 inches).

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PRODUCED BY GUILELESS SOULS WHO'VE BEEN TO CANADA.

Young Mr. Radford Didn't Get All His Out but Some Others Made Up for Him -Ernest Thompson Seton, a Reverend Nature Student and Others There.

The Canadian Camp, an organization of people who have set foot in the woods of Canada, had its second meeting of the winter at the St. Denis Hotel last night. The Camp always tries to have something for dinner that is not served at New York restaurants as a regular ftem of the bill of fare. Last night the principal novelty was baked alligator tail.

Dan Beard was the toastmaster. The formal speaking was prefaced by an exhibition of stereopticon views by the agent of a railroad which has a lot of land along the Mississaga River, which it is willing to sell to the camp, if enough members subscribe. It includes a reach of river 278 miles long.

A young person named Radford delivered an oration of great length, which served to enliven the occasion because of served to enliven the occasion because of the efforts which were made to stop him before all the diners had left. There were cries of "Fine! Fine!" and "Help! Help! Help! Help! from the rear of the room.

Mr. Beard finally got a strangle hold on the young man's coat tails and he sat down with several typewritten pages about the "Position of the American Sportsman" unread. The oration contained, among other things, an earnest correction of an assumedly widespread impression that the representative sportsman is the noisily dressed person of the Tenderloin. The assurance did not tend to reduce the outassurance did not tend to reduce

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A. A. Anderson of the Yellowstone
Forest Reserve had some fun with the
youthful orator. Said Mr. Anderson: COPENHAGEN, Feb. 28.—Ine damage done to the steamer Oscar II., which took ground and was beached while attempting to enter this port, is covered by insurance. A number of art treasures, valued at \$20,000, belonging to the late Danish-American sculptor who executed the Grant monument in Washington, have been spoiled by water.

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Second Cable Description to The Sun.

Mr. Anderson: Said Mr. Anderson: youthful orator. Said Mr. Anderson:

I was told recently that they had a new and improved method of inflicting the death penalty in New York State. But I think in must have meant to say "elocution." [Laughter and applause.] I've heard of the man who heard a certain work praised for its great and surpleasing technique. "What is technique?" he asked. "Technique," said his friend, "why, that's French for nerve." [Long peause.]

Mr. Anderson:

Mr. Anderson said he was reminded of the small boy who had been told that only those who told the truth could go to heaver, and said: "Say, it must be awful lonesome in heaven all alone with God and George Washington."

Washington."

Then Mr. Anderson said that he was no liar and would give way cheerfully to the next speaker, who was the Rev. Dr. William J. Long. Dr. Long writes things about the mental processes of animals and their intelligence. His habits of mind and pen have been studied and commented upon by Oom John Burroughs, the naturalist, in a way that caused a great crash in the latter day "nature school" variety ware.

Dr. Long undertook last night to tell how salmon swim over a forty foot waterfall. He also told how the winds beat on the wild Newfoundland shore. He told how the natives are neglected by an unappreciative Government. He told of meeting wolves so big that they "lift their heads and look a man full in the eye."

He told how a bellowing whale was chased out to sea by a swordish and a thresher; how the wolf hunts the caribou without passion and without malice—and many other things. But he never reached the salmon who went up the fall.

Mr. Beard said that he had presided at many a dinner and had heard Dr. Long talk by the hour at a time, but that the salmon had never yet got over the fall and, he believed, never would.

Irving Bacheller read a cheerful little poem on "Him and Me," describing the phosphorescent wrath of an Adirondack guide whose patron refused to shoot a deer and insisted upon photographing it.

William J. Stone, the naturalist and Arctic explorer: "Buffalo" Jones, the guardian of the Yellowstone Park elk and buffalo, and the inventor of that noble brute, the cattalo; Dr. E. M. Rininger and Ernest Thompson ashington."
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Seton also spoke.

Mr. Seton told the story of an antelope
who fied from a bigger antelope and sought
refuge with Mr. Thompson. Columbia Organizes Its First Freshman

Track Team. Nineteen freshmen reported to Traine

Hjertberg at Columbia yesterday as candidates for the freshman back team, a plan which is receiving its first trial at the local college this year. The innovation is being college this year. The innovation is being tried to develop the first-year men for the 'varsity squad, in order that Columbia may have good substitutes who have thus far been lacking. The freshmen will enter in the novice games that are to be held every Wednesday afternoon and from the showing made there the class track team will be picked. In the spring, these men will compete against several of the strong local preparatory schools. Meets are in process of arrangement with High School of Commerce, DeWitt Clinton High School and Boys' High School of Brooklyn. If the plan works well, Princeton and Pennsylvania freshmen will be challenged to dual meets. The men who make the best showing in these games will be entered in the 'varsity dual meets and in the inter-collegiate championships.

The men who reported yesterday and the events for which they are candidates are:
Sprints—O. D. Kehrlein, Jr. F. S. Hetherington. John E. Madden has sold the following two-yearolds to the Western firm of M. H. Tichengr & Co.,
and has notified all the associations to transfer
the engagements to Tichenor: Philanthropist, ch. c.,
by Ornament—Charity; Schoolcraft, ch. c., by
Knight of the Thistle—Doellity, and Poco., br. g.,
by Plaudit—Margery. Philanthropist is eligible
for this year's Futurity, while Schooleraft is eligible
for the Lawrence Realization, Tidal, Century and
other hig events next year.

Jimmy Mara, the steeplechase rider, who will
again ride for J. W. Colt this season, left for Bennings yesterday to help Gwynne Tompkins get the
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THREE RACING AUTO BOATS. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., W. Gould Brokaw

and J. E. Martin Will Have Speedy Craft.

At City Island three auto boats are being built for members of the New York Yacht Club, which are to be raced as much as possible this year, and each one promises to have a good turn of speed These are for W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr.; W. tiould Brokaw and James E. Martin. They have been designed by Robert Jacobs. The boat for Mr. Vanderbilt is 40 feet over all, 35 feet on the waterline and 6 inches draught. She is to be driven by a 60 horse power Mors engine, and it is expected that her speed will be twenty miles an hour. In building the hull extreme lightness has been avoided. The frames are seem bent, the planking is double of cedar and the turtle deck and triumings are of mahogany. The model is one that will stand a great deal of rough usage and is very different from the usual type of high speed launch.

The boat for W. Gould Brokaw is 65 feet over all and about seven feet beam. The extreme draught, including the propolier, will be about three feet. This boat is to be driven by a French motor devoloping 200 horse power. The model is a handsome one, the boat for Mr. Martin is 40 feet over all. and J. E. Martin Will Have Speedy Craft.

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The frames of this boat are call and the plenking double of cedar. She is to have 35 horse power Smith and Mabley motor and is expected to have a speed of 18 to 20 miles and hour. These boats are fast approaching completion and as soon as ready will have trials.

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Frank Woods at City Island is at work on two large auto boats one of which will probably be the lightest boat in the fleet as its as construction is concerned. It has only three-sixteenths of an inch planking. Some of the boats that have already been built of extreme light construction and which have only been in the water a few days are showing weakness. Water has got between the two skins and the inner ones have cockled and are all out of shape.

Columbia Leads in Intercollegiate Basket-ball Championship. Columbia's defeat of Princeton at basket-

Columbia's defeat of Princeton at basket-ball last Saturday marked the seventh successive victory of the local team and predically assures the championabin this essent to the Blue and White. This will become an absolute certainty if Columbia defeats Pennsylvania to-night when the two teams meet in the First Regiment Armory in Philadelphia. A second victory over the Red and Blue, defeated in New York, Feb. 5, by 17 to 15, makes it possible for the local players to lose the two remaining home games and still have the highest percentage.

The season, which will end on March 11, has proved to be a remarkably uncertain one. Yale's team, the champion of last year, is now in third place, having lost five out of the ten games played. Pennsylvania, whose team is in the league this year for the first time, is playing in remarkable form, and is an easy second. The standings follow:

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KICK AND SCREAM

Baby's Awful Suffering from Eczema.

Could Not Hold Her. She Tere

Her Face and Arms. Cuticura Saved Her Life, So Mother Says.

"When my little girl was six months old, she had eczema. We had need cold creams and all kinds of remedies, but nothing did her any good, in fact, she kept gettlag worse. I used to wrap her hands up, and when I would dress her, I had to put her on the table for I could not held her. She would kick and scream, and when she could, she would toar her face and arms almost to please. almost to pieces. I used four boxes of Cuticura Ointment, two cakes of Cuticura Soap, and gave her the Cuticura. Resolvent, and she was cured, and I see truthfully say that they have saved her life, and any one suffering as she did, I should advise them to give Catioura a fair trial." MRS. G. A. CONRAD, Lisbon, N. H., Feb. 7, 1898. Pive years later, viz., Feb. 28, 1903,

Mrs. Conrad writes: Mrs. Conrad writes:

"It is with pleasure that I can inform you that the cure has been permanent as it is now six years since she was cured, and there has been no return of the disease since, and I have advised a lot of friends to use the Cutionia Remedies in all diseases of the skin."

Instant relief and refreshing sleep for skin-tortured babies, and rest for three, fretted mothers, in warm baths with Cuticura Soap and gentle anoistings.

Cuticura Soap and gentle anointings with Cuticura Soap and gentle anointings with Cuticura Ointment, the great shin cure and purest of emoillerts, to be followed in severe cases by mild doses of Cuticura Resolvent. This is the purest, sweetest, most speedy, permanent and economical treatment for torturing disfiguring itshing bearing. torturing, disfiguring, liching, burning, bleeding, scaly, crusted and simply skin and scalp humours, ecsemas, rashes and irritations.